

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 645 - HB 1235**

March 24, 2011

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners from requiring a certified governmental animal control agency to employ a full-time licensed veterinarian in order for to obtain a certificate to perform chemical capture.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Current Board rules require that a full-time veterinarian be employed at the animal control agency in order for it to receive a certification to perform chemical capture. The Board will amend its rules to comply with the provisions of this bill during regularly scheduled Board meetings without a significant fiscal impact to the Board.
- It is a Class B misdemeanor to chemically capture animals without certification. The number of certificates issued will remain unchanged. As a result, any impact on the local court caseloads will be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board had a balance of \$124,242.77 and a deficit of \$3,318.56 in FY08-09. As of June 30, 2010, the Board's cumulative balance was \$14,452.42.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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